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In strong support of GM 772 – submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Veterinary Examiners, Gubernatorial Nominee, Alicia Maluafiti, for a term to expire 06-30-2018

Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health

Wednesday, April 13, 2016, 9:30 am, Room 229

Aloha Chair Baker and members of the committee,

My name is Lorie Farrell and I am testifying in strong support of the appointment of Alicia Maluafiti to the Board of Veterinary Examiners (GM 772).

I work with Community groups and grass roots issues on Hawaii Island. I've known Alicia for a decade during this time I have witnessed her ability to handle business issues and place animals at the top of her priority list. I've never met anyone with more aloha for animals and their complete care; sure anyone can do the fluffy pretty stuff but Alicia takes on the side of animal care that many ignore such as burial of a lost or stray animal in the road on her way to the capitol to meet with legislators. Feeding and neutering strays, she gets it. There is no one with more empathy and kindness towards animals and their needs and the people who own and work with them.

I appreciate your consideration and ask that you approve the appointment of Alicia to the Board of Veterinary Examiners. Mahalo.

Warm regards,
Lorie Farrell



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Testimony from Kevin M. Rathbun

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Aloha Chair Baker and members of the committee,

My name is Kevin Rathbun and I am testifying in strong support of the appointment of Alicia Maluafti to the Board of Veterinary Examiners (GM 772).

I have known Alicia Maluafti for a little over eight years both professionally and socially. She is an individual who whole heartedly cares about the veterinary standards and practices in the state of Hawaii and would be a beneficial addition to the Board of Veterinary Examiners. As the Executive Director of Poi Dog and Po Poki she is constantly screening the veterinarians, technical staff and volunteers who perform spay/neutering to ensure all animals are treated and cared for at the highest possible standard. On a personal level, my family assists with the care and fostering of stray and abandoned kittens and for the past 2 years we have had only a few weeks where our home did not have at least one or as many as seven kittens to care for. Alicia is hard to say no to because of her strong commitment to the needs of animals always is her first priority, no exceptions. She is a very dedicated individual who would give 100% to the Board of Veterinary Examiners and will always provide her honest input and feedback for veterinarian candidate screenings.

I appreciate your consideration and ask that you approve the appointment of Alicia to the Board of Veterinary Examiners.

Mahalo,



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